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~ You're All I Thneed ~

Pucker up, all you lovers! Today is Valentine's Day, a day to celebrate life with your significant other. Don't have a partner? That's okay! Love can be spread to your family, friends, and even complete strangers! The important thing to remember is that compassion should not be passed around just one day, but every day of the year. Go out and love someone today!

In this issue of *The Unless Press*, we present to you delectable news and gifts from the heart. From letters to loved ones... to beautiful concept art, we've got all you "thneed" to be happy! •

~ Upcoming Events/Save the Date! ~

Pancake Day:
02/05/13

National Pancake Day was on the 5th of this month! Did you eat any?

Valentine's Day:
02/14/13

Valentine's Day is this month. Go do something special for your lover!

Flower Show:
02/24/13

Greenville's tulip and rose festival is to take place in Petal Park. 3PM.

Belle Banquet!

Always the gentleman, good ol' Mister Once-ler will be hosting an online chat/banquet tonight at 8:30 PM EST in light of the holiday that is Valentine's Day.

Keep an eye out for the link to the party on his blog:

http://askgentlemanonceler.tumblr.com/

Color Me Pink!

Games Galore

Care for another AU? Fandom member jack-floss has been setting up just that, and it's a Pokemon AU! Feel free to refer to this link for more info:

http://www.the-seuss-region.tumblr.com/

Still hankering for more role-plays? Jennathearcher and cherrycolouredpenguins have teamed up to do a "Rise of the Brave Tangled Dragons" role-play with Truffula Flu as the setting. Fondly called "Camp Royale", they are still eagerly looking for anyone interested to join in! Those interested can contact either one of them.

Home for the Hurting

Are you new to the fandom? Feeling lost and uncertain of where to go, or do you just feel excluded from the community in general? Worry no longer. There's a new blog out there just for you guys:

http://onceler-fandom-outcasts.tumblr.com/

C'est Magnifique

All of you art appreciators will be pleased to know that some new concept art for *The Lorax* has recently been released and found! Find them in the links below:

sexybeanpole.tumblr.com/post/42179088148/i-guess-this-is-the-closest-well-ever-get-to-an

once-ler-fluff.tumblr.com/post/42181439046/im-sure-these-have-been-posted-but-i-just-found

Tag! You're It!

Want to post up Truffula Flu stuff that isn't part of Camp Entre? As suggested by Swaggermimint, feel free to use the tags **#truffula blue** and **#liveblue** for this. In addition, member fluorescentnova came up with tags for Thneedville High-related posts: **#hall pa$$** for asks, RPs, character interactions, etc.; **#thneedville high** for art, fan fiction, etc.; and **#THSlive** for liveblogging.

~ Poetry in Motion ~

Let's give a big hand to our two winners of the poetry contest: **signalboob** and **spazzleforlife**!!

The challenge was to write a one verse poem, with a maximum of twelve lines, that focuses on one of four topics, with the two most creative pieces claiming the win.

Signalboob's Submission

It's funny how a dream,
One childish, pure, innocent dream,
Can so easily come true,
And it's funnier how that dream,
That one pure,
Innocent dream,
Can so easily change you,
And that dream,
That pure,
Innocent,
Simple dream,
Can **destroy** you.

Spazzleforlife's Submission

His smile drew me in,
His words made me stay,
His lips once so sweet,
Now bitter today,
The sky was once blue,
But he drove it away,
And now all that's left,
Is nothing but gray,
But another time,
Will the we meet once again,
When the sun shines once more,
And 'Unless' isn't the end.

Lovely poem submissions, folks! I would also like to give out my thanks to **pinkieblues**. Although not chosen, your poem was very cute, and I thank you for sending it in to the "Press"!!

Keep reading for more Valentine sweets and treats.... •

Truffula Trivia!

Howdy, folks! Ready for another round of Truffula Trivia? See if you can solve this one:

How many times in the film does the Once-ler pull a marshmallow out of his pocket?

Try not to refer to the film, if you can. The first three to get the answer right get their names in next week's paper!!

~ Love Letters ~

We asked ask blogs and their partners to express their love for one another, and they delivered!

From: **deehawkeninnocentoncie**
To: **Mister Natey**

I love you, Mister Natey, because you were there when everyone else kept disappearing from my life. You are my prince who saved me from the darkness.

From: **justfollowing-mydestiny**
To: **norma-l-wiggins**

I love Norma because, despite my Thneed endin' up a failure, she loves me anyways. She's a real sweet heart, and I'm really glad that she decided to marry me. Plus she's cute, and that never hurts, right?

From: **greed-ler**
To: ???

Your warmth beside me, being lulled to sleep by the rhythm of your heart. There's nothing quite like those quiet moments, however fleeting. I've *never* felt anything this *intense*, and it's all because of you. *You make me live.*

From: **natalieesmerose**
To: **constipatedler**

To my sweet, darling Consti,
I'll admit it's cheesy, but I've loved you from the moment I met you. We've been through a lot: tears, cuddles, pancakes, and bubble baths, and we both know it. But no matter what, I will never stop loving you. Love, Natalie.

From: **moirin-mcgillicuddy**
To: **ask-thelivingonce-ler**

My husband, Once, means the world to me. He treats me like I'm a queen, takes care of me and our children, and protects us from harm. He is goofy, yet smart. Kind, yet stern. I love him because he loves me.

From: **theunfler**
To: **ask-awkward-once-ler**

My Dearest Awk,

Words can't describe how much you mean to me. You have brought so much joy into my life and I love you more than anything and anybody. I hope we can spend more Valentine's Days together. I love you.

From: **ask-awkward-once-ler**
To: **theunfler**

Ever since I saw Carsen, I knew that she was an extremely special person. Even now, I find new reasons to love her every day. She is the kindest, most beautiful woman I have ever met, and I am so grateful to have her in my life.

From: **ask-thelivingonce-ler**
To: **moirin-mcgillicuddy**

My love for my wife is unending. I love her personality, her laughter, her smile, everything about her. Growing old with her and watching our children shape the future would be a dream come true. I love you, Moirin. Forever and always.

~ Interview - Vriska-ler ~

We interviewed Vriska-ler about the latest Tumblr movement: Fandomstuck!

Q. What is it about fandomstuck that intrigues you? Any positives or negatives about it you'd like to mention?

A. The most fascinating thing about it is probably the most simple, yet the most rare: all the fandoms getting along. They've all seemed to have united around a central idea created by none other than probably the most bashed fandom around, aka the Homestuck fandom. Despite earlier fights and the normal bickering, they've accepted and even embraced their differences as something that defines them and makes them unique, allowing them to create their own Homestuck persona for this AU and be able to enjoy this together. Hardly any negatives have arisen, though not everyone is a fan of fandomstuck, but most have been respectful about their opinion. You can't expect every single person to agree, and that is okay.

Q. It is known that you've contributed some Once-ler fan art centering around fandomstuck. What do you like most about the creative process when doing fan art?

A. Oh wow. The fan art is probably the main thing driving this, so when I'm doing that it's fun to imagine how our fandom's persona would interact with the others. I can just keep building that personality and connect it with characters actually in Homestuck and pick out what panels would be the best to edit or what the mannerisms would be and... wow... I just love the thought of creating a character off of an idea off of a group because there's so many different things about this fandom, but when you take a step back all of the different things about us are different from the others so there's this big sense of individuality that you can center into something and just create a whole other something! Does that make sense?

Q. What attributes of both the Homestuck and Once-ler fandoms do you appreciate most?

A. I just love the creativity of both fandoms. It means so much to me to see people letting loose their imaginations and applying...

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~ INTERVIEW - VRISKA-LER (CON.) ~

... it to something they love, no matter how silly it may seem. People are capable of so much, everybody is filled with such unfathomable potential, and it makes me beam to see the inspiration being sparked by a fandom. I've seen many people grow as artists, writers, and as a person themselves. Some people would not be who or what they are today if it were not for fandoms! I know many people in the Once-ler fandom (and I'm sure there are in the Homestuck fandom, too!) who now aspire to be artists or animators or whatever else because they've been inspired by the different analyses, ask blogs, ships, fan fictions, and fan art. The sheer amount of ask blogs and AUs (and don't think I don't see the occasional movie analysis on my dash) show how creative we are, and that's what I love most, for both, actually. Creativity. •

~ EXTRA! EXTRA! ~

Truffula Tunes

Looking for more smart tunes to play while you read up on the Truffula Flu? Look no further! An entire blog has been set up with a list of songs that are appropriate to the tone of the AU. You can find it here:

truffulaflutunes.tumblr.com/

Additionally, there is yet another playlist centered specifically on Entre. You can find that one here:

theprettygoodgatsby.tumblr.com/post/41770969127/disobedient-son-a-truffula-flu-entre-fst

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Thneedville High - List

Those of you who follow the Thneedville High blogs might be interested to know that a list of many (if not all) of the ask blogs, both popular and not-so-popular, has been posted up for convenience. Locate it here:

fluorescentnova.tumblr.com/post/42392376549/is-thneedville-high-over

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Pairings Blog

Connected to busy member **Swaggermimint**'s masterpost blog is a list of some of the pairings in the fandom that you might want to check out:

loraxpairings.tumblr.com/

~ ODE TO TAIN ~

My Dearest Tain,

For many a month we danced. For many a week we sung. For many a day we journeyed, sharing our lives together, enjoying what each morning brought us, and coming to realize that the most beautiful thing about life is the time you spend it with the ones you love. Tain, you are no more, but the memories will always be there -- in my heart. I'll always love you, my Once-ler, my Entertain-ler, my sunshine....

- Pluto

And to his moderator: Thank you for giving me the happiest six months of my entire life. I appreciate it more than you know.

Speak for the fans!!

Do you have any suggestions on how to improve the look, operation, and/or construction of *The Unless Press*? Want to let us know about something in the paper you dislike? Or maybe you love the newsletter and simply want to express your appreciation? Send on a note to us! Your comment may be published!

Let it grow!!